



News and Events in the 5th Grade

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Important Dates

May 21	How to Succeed in 5th Grade Letter Due
May 22	Body System Project Due
May 24	Million Dollar Project Due
May 30	Pool Outing
May 31	Completion Ceremony and Breakfast

Dear Families,

The Completion Ceremony and Breakfast is May 31. Please be sure to return the gold invitation with your complete information as soon as possible. Also, we will need a baby picture of your child (preferably two years old or younger) for a special project. Please send these in to your homeroom teacher this week.

Olympic Day is right around the corner! This great event will take place in the afternoon on the last day of school (June 1st). If you are interested in volunteering your time to help out with the festivities please email David Williams directly at dwilliams@op97.org or check the Digital Backpack for more information. Volunteering for this event would be a fantastic way to help end the school year on a high note and kick off the summer with some fun.

Art -5th graders are finishing up a unit on local architecture. Students are drawing famous local buildings including the Lake Street Theatre, Unity Temple and many more. Some of these drawings will be printed onto postcards and sold to raise money for an orphanage in Haiti.

Music -If your student did not get to do their recorder assessment, I will be doing make ups on Monday and Tuesday this week. Also, if your child wishes to raise their recorder grade they may come to Recorder Karate Tuesdays at 11:30. Singing and reading assessments will be done this week.

Spanish - In Spanish we are working on ordering food in a restaurant. Students are working in groups to create a skit that includes waiter/waitresses, managers, and diners. We will start performing the role playing this week.

Library - Information can be found on the Holmes Library page on our school website, <http://www.op97.org/holmes/mediacenter/>.

Physical Education - Please see Mr. Williams' link (www.d97mrwilliams.blogspot.com) for information.



Reading/Literature SHAKESPEARE

This week classes will perform their Shakespeare plays for each other. 5P will perform Macbeth on Monday. 5M will perform Hamlet on Thursday. 5K will perform A Midsummer Night's Dream on Friday.

Language Arts

Writing Focus: Students must turn in their How to Succeed in 5th Grade Letter by Monday, May 21st. On Tuesday, students will have the ability to share their Photo Stories with the rest of their classmates.

Math

Graded Unit 10 tests will be returned to students by mid-week. Please review the test with your child, sign it, and have your child return the signed test to his/her teacher.

Million Dollar projects are due this Thursday. Students should be done identifying all items and determining costs. We will complete the percent table and percent circles in class and presentations will be on Thursday.

Science

Thanks to the intrepid volunteers who helped with last week's eye dissection. It was a valuable experience for the students. Graded body system unit tests will be returned to students by the end of the week. All body system projects (research paper and glog) are due tomorrow. Students will share their glogs in class tomorrow.

Social Studies

This week, we will continue to watch presentations of students' interview projects. Families did a great job of supporting students with this project. Thank you!

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